29 March 1961

Mr. E. W. Pehrson, Chief
Division of Foreign Activities
Bureau of Mines
U. S. Department of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehrson:

11/26/80

I regret that you are so far behind schedule in Department of Interior's commitments for this year in the NIS program, the particulars of which you set forth in your letter of 22 March. In our budget review of last spring you appeared quite confident that you would fulfill your schedule for FY 1961. I recognize the difficulties which your staffs encountered during this year. Nevertheless, we are proficing ample funds to properly staff this job. We can discuss this matter more fully in the forthcoming meeting on the budget for FY 1962.

I have had discussions with Mr. Clinton of State and find that, with an impending workload of 29 economic sections due for delivery to his office by 30 June, he will be unable to review your late deliveries this fiscal year. In order to relieve this problem, I have instructed my staff to arrange for direct delivery in final form of Sections 48 (62) and 35 (63) from your office, with necessary copies going to State for concurrent review. This shortcut will necessitate unusual care on the part of your staffs in preparing the finished drafts to insure that they are in due form and fully reflect NIS requirements.

Sincerely,

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As Assistant Director
Basic Intelligence

cc: Mr. D. J. Clinton, State

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